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WEST VIRGINIA BULLETIN NO: WV300-8-15

SUBJECT: LTP – FY2008 Wildlife Habitat Incentive Program (WHIP) Timeline and

Updated Practice Payment Schedule

Purpose: To provide Timelines and Updated Payment Schedule for use in implementing the

FY 2008 WHIP Program

Expiration Date: This Bulletin expires September 30, 2008

Attached is an update to the FY 2008 WHIP Program timeline and revised Payment Schedule.

The current WHIP ranking period ends on June 20, 2008.

The 2008 WHIP Payment Schedule is available for developing cost estimates during the ranking process. A copy of the payment schedule formatted for use in Toolkit was sent via email to all field office employees. The payment schedule is loaded into ProTracts. It is important that activities are completed as soon as possible rather than waiting until deadlines approach.

If you have any questions, please contact JR Wolfe, Farm Bill Specialist at (304) 284-7583 or Bill O'Donnell, ASTC-Programs at (304) 284-7543.

/s/

KEVIN WICKEY State Conservationist

Attachment: FY-08 WHIP Timelines

FY-08 WHIP Payment Schedule

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FY 2008 WHIP Timeline

June 20, 2008 End of Ranking Period.

<u>June 27, 2008</u> DCs complete ranking of applications. All WHIP applications, cost estimates and ranking data are entered into ProTracts. Application status is moved from pending to eligible.

<u>June 30, 2008</u> State Program Manager will select applications for contract development, based on ranking points and funding availability, from the ProTracts database.

July 1, 2008 DC notifies the applicants selected for contract development via letter, using ProTracts.

<u>July 25, 2008</u> All Contract folders delivered to Area staff for review and contract obligation. DC's will promptly notify the ASTC (FO) and ASTC (Programs) in writing of any problems with applications. All conservation plans and contract support documents will be developed in Toolkit. The contract support documents will be uploaded into ProTracts, according to the guidance and instructions for the use of ProTracts.

July 31, 2008 All contracts obligated in ProTracts

WHIP Payment Schedule FY-2008

| Practice Code | Cost Share Program | Practice Name | Component | Unit Type | Unit Cost | Cost Type |
|------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------------------|---|-----------|-------------|-----------|
| 314 | WHIP | Brush Management | Mechanical | Acre | \$ 45.00 | PR |
| 314 | WHIP | Brush Management | Chemical Treatment | Acre | \$ 30.00 | PR |
| 328 | WHIP | Conservation Crop Rotation | Increase SCI | Acre | \$ 7.50 | PR |
| 329 | WHIP | Residue Management | no till, strip till | Acre | \$ 7.50 | PR |
| 340 | WHIP | Cover Crop | Row Crop | Acre | \$ 45.00 | PR |
| 342 | WHIP | Critical Area Planting | Without Land Shaping | Acre | \$ 546.00 | PR |
| 342 | WHIP | Critical Area Planting | With Land Shaping | Acre | \$ 1,026.00 | PR |
| 342 | WHIP | Critical Area Planting | Hydroseeding | Acre | \$ 1,077.00 | PR |
| 378 | WHIP | Pond | Embankment - Fill | Cu yds | \$ 5.90 | PR |
| 378 | WHIP | Pond | In-ground - Excavation | Cu yds | \$ 3.75 | PR |
| 382 | WHIP | Fence | HT Electric Fence - Deer | Feet | \$ 1.50 | PR |
| 382 | WHIP | Fence | HT Electric and Other Fence | Feet | \$ 2.25 | PR |
| 382 | WHIP | Fence | Barbed Wire Fence | Feet | \$ 2.40 | PR |
| 382 | WHIP | Fence | Woven Wire | Feet | \$ 3.50 | PR |
| 386 | WHIP | Field Border | Herbaceous Field Border | Acre | \$ 229.00 | PR |
| 386 | WHIP | Field Border | Cut Back Border | Acre | \$ 351.00 | PR |
| 390 | WHIP | Riparian Herbacious Cover | Cool Season | Acre | \$ 315.00 | PR |
| 390 | WHIP | Riparian Herbacious Cover | Warm Season | Acre | \$ 405.00 | PR |
| 484 | WHIP | Mulching | Hay (2.5Tons/Acre) | Acre | \$ 375.00 | PR |
| 484 | WHIP | Mulching | Straw (2.5 Tons/Acre) | Acre | \$ 450.00 | PR |
| 490 | WHIP | Tree/Shrub Site Prep | Chemical - Natural Regeneration | Acre | \$ 90.00 | PR |
| 490 | WHIP | Tree/Shrub Site Prep | Hand Site Preparation | Acre | \$ 150.00 | PR |
| 490 | WHIP | Tree/Shrub Site Prep | Mechanical - Bulldozer | Acre | \$ 250.00 | PR |
| 490 | WHIP | Tree/Shrub Site Prep | Chemical - Planting | Acre | \$ 120.00 | PR |
| 490 | WHIP | Tree/Shrub Site Prep | Mechanical - Tractor w/attachment, Natural Regeneration | Acre | \$ 128.00 | PR |
| 490 | WHIP | Tree/Shrub Site Prep | Mechanical - Tractor w/attachment - Planting | Acre | \$ 82.50 | PR |
| 512 | WHIP | Pasture &Hayland Planting | Cool Season | Acre | \$ 173.00 | PR |
| 512 | WHIP | Pasture &Hayland Planting | Warm Season | Acre | \$ 405.00 | PR |
| 512 | WHIP | Pasture &Hayland Planting | Frost Seeding | Acre | \$ 30.00 | PR |
| 516 | WHIP | Pipeline | Buried | Feet | \$ 2.00 | PR |
| 516 | WHIP | Pipeline | Above Ground | Feet | \$ 0.75 | PR |
| 533 | WHIP | Pumping Plant for Water Control | Submersible Pump System, Non-irrigation => 1 HP | HP | \$ 907.00 | PR |
| 533 | WHIP | Pumping Plant for Water Control | Solar Pumping System, non irrigation | Watt | \$ 16.00 | PR |
| 533 | WHIP | Pumping Plant for Water Control | Non-irrigation Pump System, gasoline => 1 HP | HP | \$ 173.00 | PR |
| 533 | WHIP | Pumping Plant for Water Control | < 1 HP Pump | No. | \$ 920.00 | PR |
| 558 | WHIP | Roof Runoff Management | Gutters and Down Spouts | Feet | \$ 7.50 | PR |
| 560 | WHIP | Access Rd | Gravel | Cu yds | \$ 36.00 | PR |
| 561 | WHIP | Heavy Use Area Protection | Gravel | Cu yds | \$ 33.00 | PR |
| 574 | WHIP | Spring Development | Spring Development | Each | \$ 510.00 | PR |
| 575 | WHIP | Animal Trails and Walkways | Gravel, Minimum 6' Wide | Cu yds | \$ 30.00 | PR |
| 578 | WHIP | Stream Crossing | Gravel | Sq Ft | \$ 3.75 | PR |
| 580 | WHIP | Streambank and Shoreline Protection | Stabilization | Feet | \$ 81.00 | PR |
| 587 | WHIP | Structure for Water Control | Culvert | Each | \$ 1,116.00 | PR |
| 612 | WHIP | Tree/Shrub Establishment | Conifer Hand -Dibble Bar | No. | \$ 0.85 | PR |
| 612 | WHIP | Tree/Shrub Establishment | Deciduous Hand -Dibble Bar | No. | \$ 2.00 | PR |
| 612 | WHIP | Tree/Shrub Establishment | Deciduous Hand -Dibble Bar w/Shelter | No. | \$ 9.40 | PR |

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| 612 | WHIP | Tree/Shrub Establishment | Deciduous Hand -Posthole | No. | \$ 3.80 | PR |
| 612 | WHIP | Tree/Shrub Establishment | Deciduous Hand -Posthole w/Shelter | No. | \$ 11.00 | PR |
| 612 | WHIP | Tree/Shrub Establishment | Deciduous Tractor Auger | No. | \$ 4.00 | PR |
| 612 | WHIP | Tree/Shrub Establishment | Deciduous Tractor Auger w/Shelter | No. | \$ 11.25 | PR |
| 612 | WHIP | Tree/Shrub Establishment | Red Spruce, Balsam Fir Restoration, 500+ | No. | \$ 1.00 | PR |
| 612 | WHIP | Tree/Shrub Establishment | Red Spruce, Balsam Fir Restoration <500 | No. | \$ 2.00 | PR |
| 614 | WHIP | Watering Facility | 300 - 500 Gallon Concrete | No. | \$ 825.00 | PR |
| 614 | WHIP | Watering Facility | 100 Gal Freeze proof | No. | \$ 600.00 | PR |
| 614 | WHIP | Watering Facility | 100-300 Gallon Polytank | No. | \$ 345.00 | PR |
| 614 | WHIP | Watering Facility | Rubber Tire | No. | \$ 540.00 | PR |
| 614 | WHIP | Watering Facility | Automated - 2 hole | No. | \$ 660.00 | PR |
| 636 | WHIP | Water Harvesting Catchment | UV Protected Poly, Concrete, Steel Tank, Above Ground | Gallon | \$ 0.60 | PR |
| 636 | WHIP | Water Harvesting Catchment | UV Protected Poly, Concrete, Below Ground | Gallon | \$ 1.50 | PR |
| 642 | WHIP | Well | Well Depth <400' | Feet | \$ 15.00 | PR |
| 642 | WHIP | Well | Well Depth >=400' | Feet | \$ 19.00 | PR |
| 647 | WHIP | Early Successional Habitat | Permanent Food Plot | Ac. | \$ 1,205.00 | PR |
| 647 | WHIP | Early Successional Habitat | Forest Opening (Shelterwood/Clear Cut) | Ac. | \$ 351.00 | PR |
| 647 | WHIP | Early Successional Habitat | Herbaceous Forest Opening | Ac. | \$ 1,130.00 | PR |
| 647 | WHIP | Early Successional Habitat | Light disking | Ac. | \$ 27.00 | PR |
| 647 | WHIP | Early Successional Habitat | Cool Season Grassland Management for Wildlife | Ac. | \$ 23.00 | PR |
| 647 | WHIP | Early Successional Habitat | Brush Piles | No. | \$ 25.00 | PR |
| 910 | WHIP | TA PLANNING | TA Planning | No. | 0 | AM |
| 911 | WHIP | TA DESIGN | TA Design | No. | 0 | AM |
| 912 | WHIP | TA APPLICATION | TA Application | No. | 0 | AM |
| 913 | WHIP | TA CHECK-OUT | TA Reimbursement for Construction Check-Out | No. | 0 | AM |

| /s/ | 6/12/08 |
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| Kevin Wickey, STC | Date |